Up to within a century ago it was one

the unwritten laws of leap year that, if a man should decline a proposal, he should soften the disappointment which his answe would bring about by the presentation of a silk dress to the unsuccessful suitor for

A curious leap year superstition is still to be met with in some parts of New Eng-land, and that is that leap year the "beans grow on the wrong side of the pod."

BRAVERY RECOGNIZED.

Medal of Honor Presented to Hero

Gettysburg.

WASHINGTON, June 27 .- A medal of hon-

or has been presented to Charles Stacy;

soldier voluntarily took an advance position

fatal to the Union lines, and, under heavy

Pension Attorney Disbarred.

Johnson, of Greenville, Miss., was disbarred

from practice before the Interior Depart

WORE WOMEN'S DRESSES

DISGUISED MOB OF MARYLANDERS.

Hatched Their Scheme at a Ball Game

and Took the Prisoner Out of the

Old Jail at Port Tobacco.

BALTIMORE, June 27 .- Joseph Cocking

of Hilltop, Charles county, Maryland, who

was awaiting trial on a charge of murder-

ing his wife and her sister, Miss Daisy Mil-

ler, on the night of April 23, was taken

from the old jail at Port Tobacco, last

night, and lynched by a crowd of about

twenty-five men. Cocking was brought to

Baltimore April 27 in order to escape the

vengeance of the mob, and was returned

to the Charles county authorities May 21,

as his trial had been set for the day follow-

ing. His counsel asked for a two weeks'

extension of time, which was refused, and

on the usual affidavit the case was re-

moved to an adjoining county and would

The plan for the lynching was hatched at

a ball game which took place at Hilltop,

the scene of the murder, yesterday after-

noon. The lynching party met shortly be-

fore midnight. All wore masks and fifteen

wore women's dresses. They awoke an old

colored man, Washington Burch, who had

charge of the jail. He made some show

of resistance, but finally delivered over the

keys. Cocking, who had been aroused by

bridge one hundred yards away, where a

rope with a noose was placed around his

neck. He was told to confess, but he sald

he was innocent. Then he was directed to

pray, but said he did not want to pray.

The rope was then made fast to the rail

of the bridge and the murderer was lifted

to the rail and pushed off. He fell ten feet.

The party then dispersed, leaving the body

dangling, with the feet just reaching the

Five Men Sentenged to Denth.

court this afternoon five men were sen-

tenced to be hanged on Friday, Sept. 4:

Robert McCabe in the Chickasaw Nation,

Jan. 1, 1896; Hickman Freeman and Silas Lee, for murder of Ed Canady, Jeff Mad-

dax and Paul Applegate in a shanty-boat

on Red river Nov. 13, 1895. All of them received their sentences with the utmost

Scott McGraw and Pet Poup Killed.

last night Scott McCraw and Pet Poup

were shot and killed from ambush by un-

known parties. Both men were prominent

citizens. McCraw, a few days ago, while jailer, shot and killed a member of a party

Virginia. It is believed that McCraw was shot by friends of the man he killed. There

A Notorious Desperado.

BOWLING GREEN, O., June 27.-It has

just been discovered that the desperado

giving the name of Charles Clark, one of

the three men charged with murdering

North Baltimore's (O.) night policeman, is the notorious Bob Curry, of Chicago. At a hearing yesterday he was bound over on a

She Thanked Him for His Seat.

In a Powell-street car the other day a well-known clerk in a San Francisco bank gave up his seat to an elderly lady, who

"I am very much obliged to you, sir; you are extremely kind."

"Don't mention it," said he.
"But," said she, "It was really very good of you, and I thank you very much."

"It is nothing, my dear madam," he re-

"But." said the lady. "do not attempt to

put aside my thanks. Your act is so un-usual, young sir, that it is my duty to

acknowledge a courtesy so sincere."
"But," said the bank clerk, somewhat an-

noyed, "It is nothing. Never mind, madam." "But I do mind," said the lady. "We ar

living in a time when people who should show the lesser courtestes of life frequently

"But — " said the hapless man.

"Do not interrupt me," said she. "Age nowadays is little habituated to receive from young people the courtesies to which it is entitled. Besides, the marked courtesy which you have shown me in giving up your seat so promptly, shows at once that you must have been brought up with the

The embarrassed bank clerk by this tim

"Yes," said the old lady, continuing, "and your mother should be proud of you. Ah, a mother's love and the benefits of the high-

er education are easily apparent. I do not wish wish, sir, to flatter you, and I do not wish

to reciprocate your courtesy by fulsom acknowledgements, but it is sufficien

merely to look at you to know that you are a gentleman by birth and breeding. I appeal to anybody in the car."

The passengers giggled in chorus, while the unfortunate bank clerk fied.

Western Cyclones.

Not one of the prairie States will admit that any of the cyclones originated within its borders; each claims that every storm started somewhere else and was blown in

Failure of Shoe Manufacturers.

BROCTON, Mass., June 27.—The failure of R. R. Littlefield & Co., shoe manufacturers, is announced. The liabilities are estimated at about \$250,000; assets unknown. The failure resulted from fluctuation of

"But -- " said the hapless man.

charge of murder in the first degree.

San Francisco Chronicle.

fail to do so.'

are caught.

WINSTON, N. C., June 27 .- In Allegheny

PARIS. Tex., June 27 .- In the federal

water beneath the bridge.

the noise, was taken from the jail to

have come up for trial in September.

WASHINGTON, June 27. - Nathaniel

unlawfully procured pension

back to the main line.

RESIGNATION OF BERLEPSCH, PRUS SIAN MINISTER OF COMMERCE.

Dr. Von Boetticher, Secretary of State for the Interior.

BERLIN, June 27 .- Baron Von Berlepsch, the Prussian Minister of Commerce, has rewill be succeeded by Under Secretary Brefield. The resignation of the Babeen an ill-feeling between the Commerce and Dr. Von Boettiimperial Secretary of State for the Interior, since November last, occasioned by the fact that Dr. Von Boedecker. president of the imperial insurance office. prematurely published some plans of his own to effect reforms in the system of oldage insurance. This angered Dr. Von Boetticher. Baron Von Berlepsch came to the Dr. Boedecker in the quarrel. and at one time it was reported that both Baron Von Berlepsch and Dr. Von Boetti-

to the directions left at the court marshal's office the Emperor will reuntil August 15. In Christiana about July 10 his Majesty will meet King Oscar and the members of the Sweedish royal family. Emperor William's traveling suite is much larger than in former years; but no promineut people will accompany him except his usual companions, on such trips. During the long cruise along the coast of Nor-Emperor will devote his time. apart from current business, to the study the currency question. He is taking with him an extensive library bearing on the subject, and including 120 English books and ramphlets, in addition to a large numof German, French and Italian works. Directions have also been left with the chief of the royal library of Berlin to forward his Majesty any new books, magazines or papers bearing upon the subject and they will be sent so as to meet the Emperor at various points he will touch.

Baron Von Kiderlen-Wachter, the Gerof Foreign Office-employes have been detailed to make extracts from the writings the currency question and submit them to the Emperor with remarks and a comparative glossary. In official circles it is expected that a fresh attempt will be made by Germany in the autumn to arrive at an international understanding on currency matters. The preparatory work in anticipation of this course will be done during the summer by a high official of the Foreign Office. The currency issue in the United States as a political factor is engaging the particular attention of the Emperor, who has been much interested in recent articles upon the subject which have appeared in American magazines, etc.

The Reichstag will probably adjourn next week. Prince Hohenlohe will spend preceded him. During the week all sorts of stratagems were resorted to in the efforts to keep the Reichstag together. The Center party, which was trying to estabsh its capacity as a government party by engineering the adoption of the civil code in spite of all obstructions, even went so far as to deny the parliamentary rights the minority. Some of President Von Buol-Barenberg's decisions were grossly arbitrary and were hotly denounced by the Radical press. A large portion of the German press, including the Hamburger Nachrichten, is condemning the majority in the Reichstag for whipping through the important civil code bill and scores of popular protests are reaching the Reichstag asking for more liberal provisions for the property and civil rights of women and for narried women's rights, but they have all

The government emigration bill has been approved by the Cabinet and will be among the first measures to be submitted in the autumn. The commercial and political sec tions of the Foreign Office have had a eading part in framing it and colonia needs are paramount in it. It is not ex-pected, however, that the bill will meet with the approval of the Liberals, as the et projects of the latter are eliminated Police control of the emigrants is made more strict and obnoxious, except when they are going to the German colonies.

It has cropped out that upon the occasion of the recent dedication of the Kyffhauser monument the police frustrated an attempt to blow up that memorial. The culprit, a man named Hahnhauser, an Anarchist, was arrested and jailed at Blaukenberg.

The disputed Lippe succession is to be the Emperor's brother-in-law, Prince Adolph, of Schaumburg-Lippe, is the favorite. Before his departure from Ber-lin Dr. Fritz Freedman. Von Kotze's former lawyer, who was recently acquitted of the charge of embezzlement after having been extradicted from Bordeaux, told a reporter that he was considering several offers, particularly one of a partnership with a well-known German-American lawyer of Baltimore. Dr. Freedman will probably start for New York next week. Arrangements are being made for the simultaneous publication of his book on the German court in German, French, English and Italian.

Emperor William has inspected at Kiel and has highly approved of a new type of ironclad invented by naval officers Diederichsen and Hossfeldt. His Majesty gave an audience to the inventors on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, and bestowed high decorations on them. Acting upon the instructions of the Emperor the naval department has taken the matter up.

Prince Max of Saxony has been ordained a priest and will celebrate his first mass on Aug. 1 in the Catholic church at Dresden and in the presence of the entire court.

The communal elections in Alsace have been an agreeable surprise to the government. At Metz twelve immigrated Germans were elected to the Council of thirty-two; at Strassburg fifteen out of twenty-three were elected and eighteen out of twenty-nine were elected at Mulhous.

The Saxon Industrial Exposition at Dresden has been opened. Li Hung Chang was the guest of the merchants' banquet and fere at the Berlin exposition to-night. On the big cupola of the main building a Chinese dragon was shown with electric lights. The negotiations which have been going on between the Chinese statesman and Colonel Libert, looking to the latter-Chinese army, have failed on account of the fact that Li Hung Chang has not power to guarantee the degree of independence considered by Colonel Libert to be necessary for success.

During the last three months thirty-two Prussian generals, including General Von Lenke, all under sixty years of age, have been retired.

The autumn naval maneuvers will begin

at Wilhelmshaven on Sept. 8 The Bayreuth Wagner opera season commences on July 19 and continues until the end of August. Nearly every seat has already been taken for the senson. Americans and French people are the largest foreign seat holders. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jackson, of the United States embassy here, will stay at Bayreuth during the entire Wagner season.

Mr. Edwin F. Uhl, the American embassador, accompanied by Mrs. Uhl, has paid a brief visit to Sprreewald. Mrs. Uhl will give a luncheon to the ladies of the American consulate on July 4. Mr. James Ewing, the United States Minister at Brussels, and his family are paying a short visit to this city and will stay here until after the Fourth. Among the other Americans present in Berlin are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rector, of Texas; Mr. Arthur Rodman, of Boston, and Dr. J. S. Sayre, United States nave. man, of Boston. United States navy.

Killed by an Electric Bolt. WINSTON, N. C., June 27. — Wade Holmes and his son C. K. Holmes were killed by lightning near Lexington last night. The father and son were on a lumber wagon and one of their horses was killed

Monument to Fallen Canadians. TORONTO, June 27.—The monument in honor of the volunteers who fell in the Morthwest rebellion was unveiled to-day in

the presence of about two thousand citi-zens. About the statue were drawn up the foot guards and dragoons, with strong detachments of three volunteer regiments. Speeches were delivered by the Lieutenant Governor, Mayor Fleming, Hon. G. W. Ross and others.

WITNESSES INDICTED

W. R. Trusty and John Seward to Be Tried in Kentucky.

CINCINNATI, June 27 .- An echo of the Scott Jackson trial appeared to-day in the report of the grand jury of Campbell county, Kentucky, in which appeared two indictments against witnesses in that case R. Trusty, who swore that he drove the carriage that carried Pearl Bryan's dead body over to Kentucky. The other was against John Seward, of Somerset, Ky., the detective, for procuration of peripry.

FROM THE PAN INTO THE FIRE

to the Suicide's Haven.

MONONGAHELA CITY, Pa., June 27 .-Because it was too hot to live Joseph Moore committed suicide. During yesterday afternoon while hunting a cool place around the house he became exasperated and told his wife it was "too hot to live." The next thing she heard of him was when his body was found hanging to a

OHIO POLITICIAN SHOT.

Killed by a Neighbor While Drunk and Abusing His Family.

WELLSTON, O., June 27 .- James Robinson, a prominent politician, was shot and killed to-day by Frank Harrison. Robinson was on a spree and abused his family. Among the neighbors who came to the rescue was Harrison. Robinson attacked the latter with a knife, when Harrison shot him. Harrison was arrested.

MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE.

James B. Gentry Convicted of Killing Actress Madge Yorke.

PHILADELPHIA, June 27.-The jury in the case of James B. Gentry, who on Feb. 17, 1895, murdered actress Madge York, came in at 11:05 o'clock this morning with a verdict of murder in the first degree.

AGROUND TWELVE HOURS.

Steamer Umbria Stuck in Gedney Channel, but Floated Last Night. NEW YORK, June 27.-The steamer Umbria, outward bound, ran aground in Gedney channel to-day. The following has been received by the Associated Press from Vernon H. Brown, the agent of the Cunard Steamship Company: "The steamer Umbria, which grounded in Gedney channel this Saturday at 10:30 a. m., came off at high water to-night with assistance vacation on his estate at of tugs, without damage and proceeded to sea at 10:30 p. m."

Movements of Steamers.

NEW YORK, June 27 .- Arrived: Prussia, from Hamburg; Veendam, from Rotterdam; Edam, from Amsterdam. Sailed: Mohawk, for London; Patria, for Hamburg; Aller, for Bremen; Amsterdam, for Rotterdam; Ohio, for Southampton; Werra, for Genoa; La Bretagne, for Havre; Anchoria, for Glasgow.

HAMBURG, June 27 .- Arrived: Augusta Victoria, from New York. SOUTHAMPTON, June 27 .- Sailed: New York, for New York. PHILADELPHIA, June 27.-Sailed: In-

HAVRE, June 27 .- Sailed: La Tauraine for New York. HAMBURG, June 27.-Sailed: Taormina

NO TIN-PLATE SCALE.

All Manufactories in the Country to Close Next Tuesday.

PITTSBURG, Pa., June 27 .- The manufacturers and workers met again to-day to settle the tin-plate scale, but adjourned without agreement until July 2. As a consequence of this disagreement all the tinplate manufactories of the country will close down on Tuesday next, throwing out of employment 25,000 men.

Refused to Treat with K. of L. CLEVELAND, June 27 .- The Cleveland Stone Company has refused to treat with the Knights of Labor, which organization was joined by the striking employes. The men have voted to continue the strike, closing the quarries at Berea, North Amherst and Lagrange. To-day men were sent to Grindstone City, Mich., where the company has a mill, and to two places in Indiana, where it operates quarries. The men claim that they will close every es-tablishment of the big company.

Warm Weather Hints. Harper's Round Table.

I have generally found that the heat or the cold, the wet weather or the dry, the windy or the cloudy day, affected me very little if I went calmly on and made the best of it. One's work should occupy one's thoughts and hands so fully that one has no time to be troubled about surroundings of atmosphere. The busy girl is happier than the indolent girl for the reason that

ier mind is taken up with something worth A little caution about fans. Don't fan so vigorously that you put yourself into a heat by the exertion. Never fan the back of your friend's neck if you are sitting behind her. Fan with a gentle, steady motion, so that waves of air strike your own face, but not so that you send icy shivers down your neighbor's spine.

On a very sultry day nothing is gained by drinking a great deal of ice water. The more one drinks the more thirsty one grows. A little water held in the mouth a oment and allowed to trickle slowly down the throat will relieve thirst more effectually than a gobletful hastily tossed off. The question comes up every summer, how shall we best keep our homes cool during the suitry part of the day? Shall we close them and shut out the heat, or simply darken them and allow the air to come in? My way has been to open every window, both at the top and at the bottom, early in the morning. house with the sweet, cool air. Then, about 10 o'clock or earlier, close the windows, except for a few inches at the bottom, and fasten shutters and blinds so that they will not fly open. Darken every room which you are not using until the sun goes down. But do not sit to read, sew or practice in the dark. Your eyes need plenty of light. When you go into the darkened rooms do so to rest, not to work.

Forty-Two Yearlings Sold for \$20,400 CINCINNATI. O., June 27.—At Woodard and Shanklin sales of thoroughbred year-lings at Latonia to-day forty-two animals brought \$20,400, averaging \$486 per head They were of the Runymede stud. Ashland stud and Leonatus stud. Twenty-five bringing less than \$400 per head, aggregated \$5,275, an average of \$211 per head. Seventeen, bringing \$400 and upwards, aggregated \$15,125, averaging \$890 per head. Those bringing \$400 and over were: Ch. c., Fonso-Eva S., to Hankins & Johnson, \$1,500; ch. f., Str Dixon-Roseville, to Cliff Porter, \$1,500; ch. h., Onondoga-Sungienn, to W. H. Laudeman, \$1,500; blk. c., Hindoo-Francesca, to Pat Dunne, \$1,250; b. c., Leonatus-Lady of the Lake, to Cliff Porter, \$1,200; c. h., Hindoo-Jaconette, to T. H. Griffin, \$950; b. f., Hanover-Meriden, to Cliff Porter, \$900; br. c., Sir Dixon-Fauna, to G. R. Morris, \$800; b. c., imp. Whistle Jacket-Duchess of Montrose, to C. J. Kelley, \$750. ringing less than \$400 per head, aggregated

Losses by Fire. PORTLAND, Ore., June 27.-The plant of the Willamette Steam Mills and Manufacturing Company, commonly known as Weidler's mill, was burned last night, together with a large quantity of lumber. The total loss is estimated at \$150,000. The insurance is \$35,000. DUBUQUE, Ia., June 27 .- The Ryan

Packing Company's plant was destroyed by fire to-night. Total loss. \$50,000; insurance, \$40,000. The origin of the blaze is unknown. Bauker Given Three Years in Prison. BEATRICE, Neb., June 27.-J. C. Williams, ex-president of the defunct Bank of Blue Springs, was to-day sentenced to the penitentiary for three years. He was convicted of accepting deposits after his institution had become insolvent. Williams was at one time very wealthy.

GOSSIP ABOUT WITHDRAWAL OF SALISBURY'S EDUCATION BILL.

Balfour's Leadership in the House of Commons Criticised - Cobdenites Celebrate-Scenes at Henley.

(Copyrighted, 1896, by the Associated Press.) LONDON, June 27 .- The topic of the week in home politics has been the abandoning of the government's education bill. The measure itself-was never liked, and it was made more unpopular by the demands of the extreme clericals. Even the Conservative newspapers, of all shades of opinion, are severe in their criticism of Mr. A. J. Balfour, the First Lord of the Treasury and Conservative leader in the House of It Was Too Hot on Earth, So He Went Commons. This has greatly discredited his leadership, and there are rumors in circulation that he may be compelled to retire from the conduct of the government's business in the lower house. The opposition newspapers do not claim the credit for defeating the bill, but insist that it is purely the result of a revolt within the Conservative party. In fact, they assert that no such revolt against parliamentary leaders has been known since the days of Peel, and they hold that it furnishes clear proof that the English do not intend to allow themselves to be "priest ridden." The Speaker says the government has suffered moral shipwreck; that it may remain in office two or three years, but that its

> brating the jubilee of the abolition of the corn laws with a dinner at Greenwich, at which the Earl of Kimberly, Lord Playfair, Leonard H. Courtney and Thomas G. Shearman, of New York, were among the speakers. An address was presented yesterday to the father of the House of Commons, the Right Hon. Charles Pellham ried the measure to success. In this address is the following curious admission "England is an exception to the prejudices of the civilized world." This caused the Globe this afternoon to remark: "Perhaps it is not altogether wonderful that after our failure to convert any of our rivals the suspicion is beginning to be entertained that the civilized world may perchance be right. The suspicion, at any rate, exists and may develop a force with which statesmen will have to reckon. Only the most rash will now venture to prophe

The Cobdenites have to-day been cele-

that in another fifty years England will be a free-trade country."

There is no doubt that a substantial antifree-trade sentiment has grown up in England of recent years. Even the Saturday Review admits free trade has "only a handthe dominant tendency is in direct opposibelieved was established for all, time 1840." The Speaker, while strongly uphold ing free trade, does not hope that other nations will change speedily. It says: "It is possible that the commercial treaties and arrangements at present occurring in both hemispheres, including the Pan-American efforts of the United States, will eventually prove the back door for free exchange Continuing, the Speaker points that in all protectionist countries except the United States the struggle of life is becomin harder, and the struggle to raise an ade quate revenue is becoming harder still.

There is a general feeling here that the arrest and subsequent release af . rown surveyor Harrison, of British Guiana, has advanced the Venezuelan question a stage, as it has stimulated the negotiations between Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British embassador, and Senor Andrade, the Venezuelan minister at Washington. any case the affairs have led Great Britain to make considerable concessions to the views of the United States by inviting Secretary Olney's good offices, and it is hoped that these recognitions of the claims of the United States and of Venezuela will aid the conclusion of a general arbitration

American bicycles continue to make great headway here and are gradually displacing the English machines. The field this week publishes a long comment article on the American companies and vigorously placed on the market here. Land and Water expressed regret at the fact that the English manufacturers allowed foreign competition to step in, adding: "For weeks past it has been impossible to get a bicycle or even civil treatment from any of the English houses. Prices rise and some of the worst trash Birmingham ever produced was put on the market. The Americans have opened a vigorous campaign and one advertises a consignment of 1,000 machines, offers to supply anything required within fourteen days, and promises that there shall be no more waiting for machines to be built. In price and finish the American machines are quite on a par with our best Robert L. Wheelock, for the murder of and in weight they cut us dreadfully." Robert McCabe in the Chickasaw Nation.

A dispatch from Healey says: This was a beautiful afternoon, but rather hot, no wind prevailing. The rowing conditions were perfect. All the crews spent more time on the water than had been allowed them. A very good comparison was obtained when Trinity Hall raced its second crew against the first. In the first half the second crew beat the first crew by length. In the second half the second crew also beat the first by a length. Large crowds were in attendance, giving to the river and its banks all the appear-

ance of a regatta day. New College was closely watched by the work. The crew did the first half of the in 3:28, rowing over the entire course in 7:44, the stroke being thirty-six. is talk of lynching if the guilty parties Several of the members of the crew were very much exhausted. Leander did the half course in 3:28, the whole course in 7:04 1-5. Leander also rowed with a thirtysix stroke and the crew was greatly exhausted in consequence, Gold and Nickals

especially suffering from the heat. Yale did the first half in 3:28. For half minute the Yale men rowed a stroke of 38 then dropped to 36. At the start the rudcaught under the new aluminiun fin, which had been fixed on the boat for the afternoon at an angle of 95 degrees, in the place of the old wooden fin. The new fin was bent to an angle of 45 degrees before the rope could be freed. This necessitated keeping the rudder hard aport during the afternoon. On this account the full the afternoon. On this account the full course was not rowed. Under these circumstances the performance of the Yale men was considered very good. The boys went in immediately after finishing their practice work, and enjoyed a tea at Foy's during the rest of the afternoon. The Yale men have no definite plans for to-morrow. They probably will do the adjacent country

noon it was decided to have the trial heats on Monday, if the DeHoop Club does not come in, and if Eton is scratched, both of which events are among the probabilities. The grand stand opposite the piers is nearly finished. Brightly dressed crowds are always present during the daytime watching the workmen or the crews at their practice. All of the members of the various crews are well, except Clarke, who is slightly ill. It is nothing serious, however, "Bob" Cook this morning said he was satisfied with the work of the Yale men this affernoon, inasmuch as Yale did half the course in practically the same time as the others-better, in fact, if the bent fin is taken into consideration.

SOME LEAP-YEAR LAWS.

A Woman Could Propose 600 Years Ago and the Man Had to Accept. Philadelphia Examiner.

Probably few spinsters who have been trying to gather up enough courage to take advantage of their customary privi-leges during leap year are aware that in two countries at least, and more than six hundred years ago, laws were passed which gave women the right of proposing mar-riage. These enactments went even further than this. They also stipulated that if the man whose hand they had sought should refuse, he should incur a heavy fine. A searcher among the ancient records of Scotland has recently discovered an act of the Scottish Parliament, which was passed in the year 1288, which runs as fol-

"It is statut and ordaint that during the rein of his maist blissit Megeste, for the years knowne as Lepe Yeare, ilk mayden adye of baithe highe and lowe estaet shall." hae liberte to bespeke ye man she likes, al-belt gif he refuses ta talk hir to be his lawful wyfe, he shall be mulcted in ye awful wyfe, he shall be mulcted in yeum of ane dundis or less, as his estait may be; except and awis wif he can make at appeare that he is betrothit ane ither woman, he then shall be free." A year or two later a law almost sin

the Scotish enactment was passed in successful and received the approval of the bard Howard, president of tron works, died at his home in the left on his famous voyage to the west-BUFFALO, June M.-Gen. Rufus Lomerd Howard, president of the Howard

the leather market.

San Francisco Call.

ward a similar privilege will granted to the madens of Genoa and Florence.

There is no record extant of any fines imposed under the conditions of this Scotch law, and no trace of statistics regarding the number of spinsters who took advantage of it or of the similar regulations in France, but the custom seems to have taken firm hold upon the popular mind about that time. The next mention of it is dated nearly 400 years later, and it is a curious little treatise called "Love. Courtship and Matrimony," which was published in London in 1606. In this quaint work the "privilege" is thus alluded to.

"Albeit it now becomes a part of the common law in regard to social relations of life, that, as often as every jeap yeare doth return, the ladyes have the sole privilege during the time it continueth of making love either by wordes or lookes, as to them it seemeth proper, and, moreover, no man will be entitled to benefit of clergy who doth in any wise treat her proposal with slight or contumely."

UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO KILL

The Would-Be Assassin, Member of Secret Society, Arrested on the Spot-General Foreign News.

TIFLIS, June 27.-It is reported here that an attempt has just been made on the life of the Shah at Teheran. The attempt was unsuccessful, the assassin being arrested on the spot. He proved to be a member of the Babi Mahommedan Secret Society. Muzaffer-ed-Din, the second son of the

late Shah of Persia, Nasr-ed-Din, was proclaimed Shah of Persia May 2, 1896. His father, Nasr-ed-Din, was assassinated May 1 by a fanatic when about to enter the inner court of the shrine of Shah Abdul Azin, about six miles from Teheran. The assassin, Mollah Riza, was a member of the Babist sect, the same fanatical society which, according to reports just received, is responsible for the attempt on the life of the present Shah of Persia. The discontent of the Babists is said to be due to the fact that the former Shah Nasr-ed-Din and his successor would not allow them to establish their religion. The refusal late private in Company D. Fifty-fifth Ohio was based on representations that it would conflict with the existing faith of Persia and split the people into religious factions. At the time of the murder of Nasr-ed-Din Volunteers, for distinguished gallantry in action at Gettysburg, Pa., July 2, 1863. This many persons thought that the elder brother of Muzaffer-ed-Din, Massoud Niron the skirmish line for the purpose of ascertaining the location of Confederate za, Governor of Ishahan, who was barred from the succession because his mother sharpshooters, whose fire had been very was of inferior rank, would try to selze the throne, that Russia would back one claimfire, held the position thus taken until the company of which he was a member went ant and England the other, and that serious complications might result. It was even announced that Massoud Mirza was really responsible for the assassination of the former Shah, it being known that he entertained very bitter feelings toward his father. All trouble was averted, however, by the graceful submission of the elder brother, who immediately declared allegi-ance to Muzaffer-ed-Din, the latter therement to-day. The action is the outcome of charges of using false affidavits and withupon being duly recognized as Shah by the

TO BE ARBITRATED.

President Cleveland Will Decide the Dispute Between Brazil and Italy. Correspondence of the Associated Press. . JOSEPH COCKING LYNCHED BY A

RIO DE JANEIRO, June 3:-Since the revolution of 1893-94 the Republic of Brazil has had a great number of diplomatic difficulties with Italy, in many instances arising from claims made for indemnity as a result of the execution of Italian subjects during the revolution. Consequently the diplomatic relations between Italy and Brazil were, at a certain period of last year, on the point of being interrupted. In February last, however, an understanding was reached between the two powers, by which it was decided to submit the claims of Italy to the arbitration of the President of the United States. The papers in the case were Communicated June 1, by the Brazilian Minister for Foreign Affairs to the Congress of Brazil. This agreement was approved by the Italian government on May 15, and will be accepted by the national Congress of Brazil within the first week of June, so that it may even now be considered in force.

The Brazilian government has been asked y the minister of the United States if is disposed to accord the necessary facilities to delegates of the principal chambers of commerce of the United States of America, who are desirous of going to Brazil in order to study the question of improvand the United States. The Minister of Foreign Affairs answered this question today, saying that the Brazillans would be most happy to see the American delegates among them, and that the Brazilian government will do all in its power to facili-tate the accomplishment of their mission.

BROOKS'S COMET.

M. Camille Flammarion Talks About Its Reappearance.

PARIS, June 27 .- The reappearance of Brooks's comet was made the subject of an interview with M. Camide Flammarion, the eminent astronomical authority at Juvisy. M. Flammarion said: "This comet was calculated to have a period of seven years and twenty-five days. It passed its perihelion on Sept. 30, 1889, and should have been back again in October next. It cannot be seen except with the strongest instruments. It is very far away, but it does approach us and the sun, and it certainly will give rise to many important observations. A curious fact is that this comet is accompanied by three companions. The four have been seen at once, giving the same specta-cle as Blela's comet in 1846. The latter is supposed to have broken up into cosmic dust and shooting stars. It will be interest-ing to see if this comet has undergone any change or shows any curious modifica-

LI'S FACE SEARCHED.

June 12, 1894; Taylor Hickman and Tom Davis, for murder of Lee Crum at Antlers, Track of the Assassin's Bullet Made Plain by Roentgen Rays.

BERLIN, June 27 .- Li Hung Chang sut mitted to the Roentgen ray examination at the Charlottenburg Polytechnic yesterday. It showed the track of the bullet fired by the would-be assassin of the Chinese statesman at Shimonoseki, Japan, when the treaty between China and Japan was being arranged. The bullet entered the left cheek and buried itself in the tissues slightly below, where the missile is encysted.

Funeral of Augustus Harris. LONDON, June 27 .- The funeral of Sin Augustus Harris took place at Brompton Cemetery to-day. There was a remarkable gathering of notable people and the casket was covered with floral wreaths. Among the senders of these tributes of respect were the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, many members of the nobility and all the best-known lights of the theatrical world.

British Ship Wrecked. SYDNEY, N. S. W., June 27 .- The British ship Scottish Dales, Captain McCarthy, from Tacoma, on April 28, for Port Pierre, has been wrecked near Voltao. All the members of the crew were saved and landed at Sulva. The Scottish Dales was a double-decked ship of nearly two thousand tons register, hailed from Liverpool and was owned by W. H. Ross & Co.

American in Trouble. LONDON, June 27 .- Munroe Lee Ross, de scribed as an American company promoter was charged at Bow-street Police Court to day with stealing jewelry and money valued at £150 from Rosa Nemethe, a fashionably-dressed Hungarian. Ross, it appears, visited her at her flat. He was held in £1,000 bail.

Treatment of Sprains.

We often hear it said that "a sprain worse than a break;" and as far as pain and the time which usually elapses before the trouble is remedied are concerned, the the trouble is remedied are concerned, the statement may be correct.

One great hindrance to the speedy cure of sprains lies in the fact that not sufficient importance is attached to the injury at the time. Under the impression that it it "only a sprain," a course of active treatment is entered upon which is calculated to increase the mischief and retard the

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with the increase of inflammation the tissues of the joint may become directly attacked, and a predisposition to a chronic trouble be established. When the joint itself becomes involved stiffness is the al-

most inevitable result. Although it is thus seen that a sprain may become a very serious affair, the remedy is equally simple, and if applied immediately and thoroughly will prove ef-

The first thing to be done is to immerse the part in hot water. The water should be as hot as can be borne, and should be kept up to a constant temperature by frequent additions. It will be necessary to continue this treatment for a long time, it may be for hours, or until every trace of soreness is practically dispelled. The part is then to be tightly strapped in a bandage in a position just short of abso-

lute fixity. The best article to use in such a case is what is called in medical parlance a "Martin's bandage." This is a long, narrow strip of sheet rubber, of sufficient strength to withstand considerable strain, and fitted at one end with tapes for tying. It is easily seen that by the use of this handage the desired pressure can be obtained without complete immovability.

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